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# 176TH COMMENCEMENT



*College of Health Professions  
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*Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*

*1824-2000*

*Friday, May Twelfth  
Two Thousand  
Half Past Ten O'clock*

*The Academy of Music*

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Bachelor of Science Degrees  
Post-Baccalaureate Certificates and  
Associate Degrees  
Presented by ..... LAWRENCE ABRAMS, *Dean*  
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ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR STUDENT LIFE  
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Candidates in the combined B.S./M.S. degree program in Physical Therapy participated in a Closing Convocation on April 28, 2000. Upon successful completion of all requirements, these candidates will receive the Bachelor of Science and the Master of Sciences Degrees in Physical Therapy.

## DOCTOR OF SCIENCE – ROSEMARIE GRECO

Rosemarie B. Greco is an accomplished leader in the greater Philadelphia business and civic community. Ms. Greco is the former chief executive officer and president of CoreStates Bank, N.A., and President of CoreStates Financial Corp., its parent company. During her tenure as CEO, the institution was ranked as one of the most profitable banks within the top 20 banks in the country. At the time Ms. Greco left the institution, it was the 18th largest bank in the United States. She has often been referenced as the highest ranking woman banker in the country.

Prior to entering the financial services industry with Fidelity Bank in 1968, Ms. Greco was an elementary school teacher. She began her banking career as a branch secretary and worked her way to leadership and management positions. Ms. Greco was president and chief executive officer of Fidelity Bank, and senior executive vice president and chief retail officer of First Fidelity Bancorporation (now First Union). She joined CoreStates in 1991. From May to October, 1998, Ms. Greco served as interim president and CEO of The Philadelphia Private Industry Council, establishing the infrastructure for implementing the city's Welfare to Work program. She is now principal of GRECOventures, a business investment and leadership development enterprise, and she is on the board of directors of eight corporations.

Ms. Greco served the city of Philadelphia and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through appointments to the Special Judiciary Nominating Panel, the Advisory Commission for the State Department of Banking, City Planning Commission, and Philadelphia Board of Education. She was a director of Pennsylvania 2000, a statewide coalition for education reform. She has served as chair of the Women's Commission for the city of Philadelphia and chair of a special task force which developed the charter for Mayor Rendell's Office for Management, Productivity and Planning. She was founder and chair of the School-to-Career Leadership Council, chair of the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, and chair of the Leadership Group of the Philadelphia Compact.

Her commitment to community continues as chair of the Workforce Investment Board's Youth Council, PWB 2000 (Philadelphia's sponsoring organization for the Women's NCAA Final Four), and Philadelphia Award Trustees.

Ms. Greco's career, management style and significant business accomplishments have been subjects of local and national publications and management books. She is the recipient of several prestigious awards and is a frequently invited keynote speaker and lecturer on topics of socio-economic and leadership issues. Ms. Greco is a magna cum laude graduate of St. Joseph's University. She was born, grew up and lives in Philadelphia.

## FACULTY AWARDS

**Mary Ellen Santucci, MSN, RN, CCRN**

***The Fred & Sadye Abrams Award for Excellence in Clinical or Laboratory Instruction***

*Established in memory of the late Sadye Abrams and in honor of Fred Abrams, parents of Lawrence Abrams, EdD, Dean of the College, this award is the only Collegewide award devoted exclusively to the recognition of clinical or laboratory teaching excellence.*

Mary Ellen Santucci, MSN, RN, CCRN, instructor and course coordinator, Department of Nursing, came to the College in 1993 after 10 years of clinical and teaching experience. Prior to Jefferson, she served for six years on the faculty of the Methodist Hospital School of Nursing, where she had earned her diploma in nursing and began her professional career as a staff nurse in 1983. She earned a bachelor of science in nursing degree in 1989 and a master of science in nursing degree with a specialty in rehabilitation nursing in 1992, both from Thomas Jefferson University. She is currently completing her doctorate in nursing with emphasis on health promotion from Widener University.

Ms. Santucci's research focus has been on health and nutrition of adolescents and preadolescents. She has been an invited speaker on a variety of healthcare topics and, in the fall of 1997, served with other Jefferson faculty as part of a consultant team in nursing education and practice for the American International Health Alliance in Cluj, Romania. Ms. Santucci's community service includes organizing an annual health promotion fair at St. Gabriel's School to promote wellness for an underserved population. Noted for her ability to promote self-confidence and clinical excellence in her students, she has been recognized by graduating nursing students in consecutive years with the Excellence in Teaching Award (classes of 1994 and 1995) and the Role Model Award (classes of 1997 and 1998). She also received the Research Award from Sigma Theta Tau International, the honor society of nursing, at the time of her induction in 1989.



**Margaret E. Rinehart Ayres, PhD, PT**  
**Dean's Faculty Achievement Award**

*The Dean sponsors a Faculty Achievement Award to recognize outstanding performance in higher education and to honor the College's outstanding faculty members.*

Margaret Rinehart Ayres, PhD, PT, assistant professor and director of clinical education, Department of Physical Therapy, is in her fifteenth year of teaching in the College. She is a graduate of Temple University, where she earned a bachelor of science in physical therapy degree in 1977, a master of science degree (also in physical therapy) in 1984, as well as her doctor of philosophy degree in education in 1997. In 1985, Dr. Rinehart Ayres was appointed to the faculty of the College as an instructor, following nine years of clinical experience in Thomas Jefferson University Hospital's Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1991.

Dr. Rinehart Ayres' primary expertise is in spinal cord injury, and treatment and support systems for patients with cancer, topics on which she has published and made numerous presentations, nationally and internationally. In November 1999, she served as a Visiting Professor at Kuwait University's Physical Therapy Program, where she lectured on spinal cord injury and conducted clinical education workshops. Praised by students and faculty for her excellent teaching methods and mentorship of students, Dr. Rinehart Ayres also has a distinguished record of service to professional organizations and the community. She has served as an officer and member of the editorial review board of the American Physical Therapy Association's (APTA) oncology section and has served tirelessly in advisory and voluntary roles for the American Cancer Society at state, regional and national levels. Her outstanding commitment in this arena has won her widespread recognition and numerous awards for service and achievement from both the APTA and the American Cancer Society. Most recently, she was featured in the cover story of the October 1999 issue of *PT Magazine*, published by the APTA, in recognition of her strong and longstanding advocacy on behalf of women with breast cancer.

**Lisa Selby Silverstein, PhD, PT, NCS**  
**Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching**

*The Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Award is given by the College of Health Professions in recognition of distinguished teaching. The recipient of this award is a teacher/scholar.*

Lisa Selby Silverstein, PhD, PT, NCS, assistant professor Department of Physical Therapy, and director of the Human Performance Laboratory, began her career at Jefferson in 1992, following 11 years of clinical experience in Philadelphia and New Jersey. Prior to that, she received her bachelor's degree in physical therapy from Ithaca College in 1981, her master's degree in physical therapy from New York University in 1985, and her doctorate from Hahnemann University in 1993.

An educator, clinician and researcher, Dr. Silverstein specializes in treating patients with neurological diagnoses. She has particular expertise in gait analysis and conservative management of foot problems throughout the lifespan (pediatric through adult). She is certified by the American Physical Therapy Association as a Neurological Clinical Specialist. In addition to her many valuable contributions to teaching and student mentoring at Jefferson, she has contributed extensively to her field through presentations at national and international conferences; publications of articles, book chapters and abstracts; and research grant writing and management. While maintaining a consulting and treatment practice in physical therapy, Dr. Silverstein has also organized and hosted continuing education workshops, served as a guest lecturer for several local area colleges and universities and is an active participant in several professional associations. Among the honors and awards she has received are the Mary Switzer Research Fellowship from the National Institutes on Disability Rehabilitation Research, the Dissertation Award of the American Physical Therapy Association's Section on Pediatrics, and appointment to the Board of Directors of the National Commission on Motion Laboratory Accreditation.

**SIGMA THETA TAU**

*Awarded at the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing's Delta Rho Chapter Induction Ceremony at Thomas Jefferson University on May 3, 2000.*

Sigma Theta Tau, International Honor Society of Nursing, was founded in 1922 by six nurses at the Indiana University School of Nursing in Indianapolis, Indiana. Currently, there are 392 chapters affiliated with more than 400 colleges and universities worldwide and more than 260,000 members. Eight international chapters are located in Australia, Canada, South Korea and Taiwan. Chapters exist at colleges and universities with accredited programs granting baccalaureate and higher degrees in nursing. The Society's members are active in more than 72 countries and territories worldwide. The Society's name comes from the Greek words *storga*, *tharos* and *tima*, meaning "love, courage, honor." Delta Rho Chapter was founded in 1980 and is committed to nursing scholarship, leadership and clinical excellence. The Chapter received two International Awards at the 1995 Biennial Convention: the first Chapter Key Award for overall member excellence and the first Newsletter Award for Special Edition Excellence for its "15th Anniversary Edition, Summer '95." The Chapter received its second Chapter Key Award at the 1997 Biennial Convention. Individuals are selected for Sigma Theta Tau on the basis of excellence and faculty recommendations addressing scholarship, leadership, creativity, professional standards and commitment.

**Undergraduate Students**

Deborah Brown  
Emily Byrne  
Michelle Campbell  
Alison Chalet  
Annie Coughlin  
Sue Denlinger  
Donna Marie Dillon  
Natalie Dohner  
Ogelue Ezeife  
Maureen Fitzgerald

Alisa Gericke  
Mary Ann Harrington  
Joseph Healey  
Tara Logocki  
Alexis McGrath  
Lizabeth Piel  
Lynn Rzucidlo  
Melissa Ward  
Jennifer Wilds  
Laurie Weiss

**Undergraduate RN-BSN Students**

Lynn Bibolet  
Theresa Clark  
Michelle Conley  
Laurie Didyck  
Denise Dougherty  
Robin Drowne  
Laurie Hendree  
Yvonne Jackson  
Jacqueline Lahnmann  
Nancy Orfe

In Sook Ry  
Frank Tiesi  
Brenda Womble

**Graduate Students**

Jessica Hart  
Theresa Smith

**Community Members**

Cheryl Corish  
Joann Cosgrove  
Monay Williams

**ALPHA ETA SOCIETY**

The Alpha Eta Society is a nationally recognized honor society for allied health professionals established in 1975 under the auspices of the Association of Schools of Allied Health Professions. The purpose of the Alpha Eta Society is to promote and recognize significant academic achievement, leadership, and contributions to the allied health professions. At present, the Society is comprised of approximately 9,000 members in 49 chapters in colleges and universities nationally. Thomas Jefferson University's Chapter of the Alpha Eta Society was established in October 1982. It is the twenty-second chapter to be formed in the country. The Class of 2000 is the sixteenth to be inducted into the Society at Thomas Jefferson University.

**Undergraduate Students**

*Cytotechnology*  
Eva Doris Paylago  
Evangelista  
Linh Kyla My Nguyen  
*Diagnostic Imaging*  
Kristi Lynn Maiese  
Danielle Patrice Miller

**Occupational Therapy**

Colleen A. Gownley  
Emily Robyn Musto  
Erin Elizabeth VonLangen  
  
**Graduate Students**  
*Occupational Therapy*  
Jonathan Niszcza  
Gregory Santucci  
Christine Lynn Sedam

**Physical Therapy**

Jane J. Burrill  
Janet M. Clark  
Shivani Dinesh Damani  
Caroline C. Mancuso  
Kimberly Jo Shellenberger

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M. Gary Sayed, PhD  
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*Assistant Dean*  
*College of Health Professions*



